

**CITY OF MILPITAS**  
**A P P R O V E D   M I N U T E S**

**PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION**

**Minutes:** Regular Meeting of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Commission

**Date of Meeting:** March 3, 2008

**Place of Meeting:** Milpitas City Hall, Committee Room, 455 E. Calaveras Blvd.

**I. Call to Order** Chair Munzel called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

**II. Flag Salute** The Chair led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance

**III. Roll Call** Commissioners Present: Krommenhock, Ku, Munzel, Serena, Matau, and Gray (7:05),  
Commissioner Excused: Chang  
Alternates Present: Cacao  
Councilmember Absent: Gomez  
City Staff Present: Carol Randisi, Senior Supervisor

**IV. Seating of Alternates** No alternates seated.

**V. Approval of Agenda** **Motion** to approve the agenda for March 3, 2008  
  
M/S: Serena, Krommenhock  
Ayes: 7  
Excused: 1

**VI. Approval of Minutes** **Motion** to approve the minutes for January 7, 2008  
  
M/S: Krommenhock, Matau  
Ayes: 7  
Excused: 1

**VII. Public Forum** None.

**VIII. Announcements and Correspondence**  
  
Senior Supervisor Carol Randisi made the following announcements:

- Parks and Recreation Services will hold their Customer Appreciation Day on Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. Also, posted on the city's website under Parks and Recreation is a customer survey. This department is seeking to get community input on recreation programming.

- It is renewal time for the city's National Park and Recreation membership. One of the membership benefits is a subscription to the Parks and Recreation magazine, which the commissioner's will continue to receive.

## **IX. Old Business**

### **1. Presentation of the Park Fund Projects in the 2008-13 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) (Greg Armendariz, Public Works Director/ City Engineer)**

Mr. Armendariz, Public Works Director/City Engineer, provided the commission with an update on the Park Fund Projects in the 2008-13 Capital Improvement Project (CIP). Mr. Armendariz began his presentation by informing the commission that an update presentation would come before the commission every year to look at all of the projects that are proposed. He directed the commission's attention to a five-year summary of the various park fund projects which include the Alviso Adobe Renovation, Berryessa Creek Trail (including Reaches 4, 6A and 5), Park Renovation Project 2011 and 2013 and the newest Cardoza Park Playground Renovation, Park Master Plan Improvements Phase 1 and Park Renovation Project 2009.

Mr. Armendariz gave a thorough update on each individual project, beginning with Berryessa Creek Trail Reach 6A. This project provides for the development of Berryessa Creek Trail Reach 4, a one mile segment from Town Center to Yosemite Drive. The project may include intersection modifications at Calaveras Blvd., Hillview Drive/Los Coches, South Hillview Drive and Yosemite Drive/South Hillview Drive. The scope of the work includes plantings and trail amenities. The project will be coordinated with the proposed US Army Corp of Engineers and SCVWD (Santa Clara Valley Water District) creek enlargement project. Continuing with Reach 4, this project provides for the development of Berryessa Creek Trail Reach 4, a one-mile segment from Town Center to Yosemite Drive. The project may include intersection modifications at Calaveras Blvd., Hillview Drive, Los Coches/S. Hillview Drive and Yosemite Drive/S. Hillview Drive. The scope of work includes plantings and trail amenities. The project will be coordinated with the proposed US Army Corp of Engineers and SCVWD (Santa Clara Valley Water District) creek improvement project. Berryessa Creek Trail Reach 5 project provides for the design and construction from Yosemite Drive to Montague Expressway. The scope of work also includes intersection modifications at Yosemite/S. Hillview, Ames Avenue/ S. Milpitas Blvd., and Gibraltar Avenue/S. Milpitas Blvd. and S. Milpitas/Montague, sidewalk improvements on S. Milpitas Blvd, as well as plantings and trail amenities. The project will also be coordinated with the proposed US Army Corp of Engineers and SCVWD creek flood improvement projects.

Mr. Armendariz gave information on Park Renovation Projects 2009, 2011 and 2013 which provide for miscellaneous park renovations and the installation of additional and replacement park equipment on a yearly basis at various parks sites as needed. Lastly Mr. Armendariz gave the commission information on the Cardoza Park Playground Renovation, to replace and renovate various park elements at Cardoza park. This includes the playground located by the washrooms. ADA (Americans Disabilities Act) compliance assessment and improvements, drainage, landscaping, walkways and other related improvements.

### **2. Alviso Adobe Project Update (Greg Armendariz, Public Works Director/City Engineer)**

Mr. Armendariz, Public Works Director/City Engineer, provided the commission with an update on the Alviso Adobe Project. He started by giving the commission background information on the Alviso Adobe. The Jose Maria Alviso Adobe was built in 1837 as a single story adobe building and it relates back to a Spanish land grant which was the origin of modern Milpitas. The land grant extended all the way out to Penitencia Creek, encompassing one third to one half of what is now Milpitas. Jose Maria Alviso was a Spanish soldier stationed at the Presidio in San Francisco before he got the land grant in Milpitas. The building has been on the National Registry of Historic Places since May 1997, and is included in the Milpitas Historic Sites inventory.

The Alviso Adobe project consists of three major components. The first one is park improvements. The two acre site will include picnic areas, lighting, walkways, a parking lot, apricot orchard, an herb garden and landscaping. The second component is the actual restoration of the Alviso Adobe building and the auxiliary buildings, which includes structural improvements, seismic strengthening, as well as interior and exterior renovation. The restoration will include a tank tower, a cutting shed and a garage building. All three of these facilities were built when the Alviso had been purchased by the Cuciz family in the 1920's and was a working farm. The third component is the public access improvements, which is going to be either a one way or two way vehicle access from Calaveras.

The commission asked how often he would report to them on the progress of the project, and Mr. Arnmendariz stated that he will be bringing updates to the commission quarterly if that is their preference, as grant monies are received, and as the project moves forward.

## **XI. Staff Reports**

There were no staff reports, however the commission requested clarification on the park monthly reports.

## **XII. Liaison Reports**

### **1. City Council**

None

### **2. Community Advisory Commission (CAC)**

Commissioner Ku reported that, at their last meeting, the CAC was involved in reviewing Community Block Grants, which they will forward to the City Council in April.

### **3. Senior Advisory Commission (SAC)**

Commissioner Gray reported that the commission was involved in bingo and fundraising to off-set the costs of programming.

### **4. Planning Commission**

None

### **5. Youth Advisory Commission (YAC)**

Commissioner Munzel stated there was no report this month.

### **6. Milpitas Historical Society**

Commissioner Munzel reported that, at their last meeting, the Society elected new officers. Their next meeting on March 12 will feature a presentation entitled Heroes of '76.

### **7. Arts Commission**

Commissioner Matau announced that the Phantom Art Gallery will open on April 25<sup>th</sup>, and stated that the commission is in the process of developing a workplan.

### **8. Park & Recreation Foundation**

Commissioner Gray reported that the next Foundation meeting was scheduled for the following night, and that the potential new board members will be present.

### **XIII. Future Agenda Items**

- **Brown Act Presentation (April)**
- **Transit Plan Update (April)**
- **Volunteer Program and Adopt-A-Park Program (May)**
- **Draft Park Master Plan (May)**
- **Library Project Report (May)**

### **XIV. Adjournment**

With no further business, Chair Munzel adjourned the meeting at 8:41 pm to the next scheduled meeting on April 7, 2008, in the Committee Room, City Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Salia Lopa  
Recording Secretary